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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT  
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Edouard G. Lebel et al.

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TITLE: TRANSGENIC PLANTS EXPRESSING A  
CELLULASE

GROUP ART UNIT: 1638

EXAMINER: KUBELIK, ANNE R.

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121) AND RESPONSE TO NOTICE  
OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.21(c))**

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment under 37 CFR 1.121, mailed April 12, 2007 and further to Applicants' submission on January 16, 2007 of a Request for Continued Examination and Reply to Advisory Action, Applicants kindly request consideration of the remarks set forth herein and entry of the following new claims.

Applicants believe that no additional fees are required at this time. If additional fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee to Applicants' Credit Card. Any other fees that may be required may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1744 in the name of Syngenta Biotechnology, Inc.